

**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims**

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1. (Currently amended) A carrier for elongate, cylindrical chalk sticks comprising a body of flexible material having opposite ends, opposite sides, and inner and outer surfaces, a plurality of chalk stick pockets extending into said body from said inner surface toward said outer surface, each said pocket having a bottom wall spaced from said inner surface, end walls extending  
5 vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said sides and side walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said ends, said side walls and said end walls providing for each said pocket to be elongated in the direction between said sides of said body, each said pocket having a width and  
10 a depth equal to said width, and said body being rollable in the direction between said ends to form a roll enclosing said pockets within said outer surface of said body.

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2. (Currently amended) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein each said pocket has a width and depth from about 1/4" to about 3/4" and a length of from about 1-1/2" to about 4-1/2"  
~~generally equal to the diameter of a chalk stick to be received therein.~~

3. (Original) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of pockets includes a plurality of rows of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said sides, and each said row comprising a plurality of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said ends.

4. (Original) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said body of flexible material comprises a strip of resilient polymeric material having top and bottom sides respectively providing said inner and outer surfaces.

5. (Original) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said body of flexible material includes a sheet of fabric material providing said outer surface.

6. (Original) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said body of flexible material comprises a strip of resilient polymeric material having top and bottom sides, and a sheet of fabric material on said bottom side and providing said outer surface.

7. (Original) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said body of flexible material comprises a strip of resilient polymeric material having top and bottom sides, each said pocket extending through said strip from said top to said bottom side, and means covering said bottom side for providing said outer surface and a bottom for each said pocket.

8. (Original) A carrier according to claim 7, wherein said means covering said bottom side includes a sheet of resilient polymeric material.

9. (Original) A carrier according to claim 7, wherein said means covering said bottom side includes a sheet of fabric material.

10. (Original) A carrier according to claim 7, wherein said means covering said bottom side includes a sheet of resilient polymeric material on said bottom side and a sheet of fabric material on said sheet of polymeric material and providing said outer surface of said body.

11. (Original) A carrier according to claim 1, and means for releasably holding said roll against unrolling.

12. (Currently amended) A carrier for elongate, cylindrical chalk sticks comprising a body of flexible material having opposite ends, opposite sides and inner and outer surfaces, a plurality of chalk stick pockets extending into said body from said inner surface toward said outer surface, each said pocket having a bottom wall spaced from said inner surface, end walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said sides and side walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said ends, said side walls and said end walls providing for each said pocket to be elongated in the direction between said sides of said body, said body being rollable in the

direction between said ends to form a roll enclosing said pockets within said outer surface of said  
10 body, said body of flexible material comprising a strip of resilient polymeric material having top and  
bottom sides respectively providing said inner and outer surfaces, and each said pocket having a  
width and a depth ~~generally equal to said width the diameter of a chalk stick to be received therein.~~

13. (Original) A carrier according to claim 12, wherein said plurality of pockets  
includes a plurality of rows of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said sides, and each said  
row comprising a plurality of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said ends.

14. (Original) A carrier according to claim 13, and means for releasably holding said  
roll against unrolling.

15. (Currently amended) A carrier for elongate, cylindrical chalk sticks comprising a  
body of flexible material having opposite ends, opposite sides and inner and outer surfaces, a  
plurality of chalk stick pockets extending into said body from said inner surface toward said outer  
surface, each said pocket having a bottom wall spaced from said inner surface, end walls extending  
5 vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said  
sides and side walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart  
in the direction between said ends, said side walls and said end walls providing for each said pocket  
to be elongated in the direction between said sides of said body, said body being rollable in the  
direction between said ends to form a roll enclosing said pockets within said outer surface of said

- 10 body, said body of flexible material comprising a strip of resilient polymeric material having top and bottom sides and a sheet of fabric material on said bottom side and providing said outer surface, and each said pocket having a width and a depth ~~generally~~ equal to said width ~~the diameter of a chalk stick to be received therein.~~

16. (Original) A carrier according to claim 15, wherein said plurality of pockets includes a plurality of rows of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said sides, and each said row comprising a plurality of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said ends.

17. (Original) A carrier according to claim 16, and means for releasably holding said roll against unrolling.

18. (Original) A carrier according to claim 16, and means on said sheet of fabric material for releasably holding said roll against unrolling.

19. (Original) A carrier according to claim 18, wherein said strip of polymeric material has end edges and said sheet of fabric material extends beyond said end edges.

20. (Currently amended) A carrier for elongate, cylindrical chalk sticks comprising a body of flexible material having opposite ends, opposite sides and inner and outer surfaces, a plurality of chalk stick pockets extending into said body from said inner surface toward said outer

surface, each said pocket having a bottom wall spaced from said inner surface, end walls extending  
5 vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said  
sides and side walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart  
in the direction between said ends, said side walls and said end walls providing for each said pocket  
to be elongated in the direction between said sides of said body, said body being rollable in the  
direction between said ends to form a roll enclosing said pockets within said outer surface of said  
10 body, said body of flexible material comprising a strip of resilient polymeric material having top and  
bottom sides, each said pocket extending through said strip from said top to said bottom side, a sheet  
of resilient polymeric material on said bottom side, and a sheet of fabric material on said sheet of  
polymeric material and providing said outer surface of said body, and each said product pocket  
having a width and a depth generally equal to said width ~~the diameter of a chalk stick to be received~~  
15 ~~therein.~~

21. (Original) A carrier according to claim 20, wherein said plurality of pockets  
includes a plurality of rows of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said sides, and each said  
row comprising a plurality of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said ends.

22. (Original) A carrier according to claim 21, and means for releasably holding said  
roll against unrolling.

23. (Original) A carrier according to claim 21, and means on said sheet of fabric material for releasably holding said roll against unrolling.

24. (Original) A carrier according to claim 23, wherein said sheet of polymeric material has end edges and said sheet of fabric material extends beyond said end edges.

25. (Currently amended) A carrier for elongate, cylindrical chalk sticks comprising a body of flexible material having opposite ends, opposite sides and inner and outer surfaces, a plurality of chalk stick pockets extending into said body from said inner surface toward said outer surface, each said pocket having a bottom wall spaced from said inner surface, end walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said sides and side walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said ends, said side walls and said end walls providing for each said pocket to be elongated in the direction between said sides of said body, said body being rollable in the direction between said ends to form a roll enclosing said pockets within said outer surface of said body, said body of flexible material comprising a strip of resilient polymeric material having top and bottom sides, each said pocket extending through said strip from said top to said bottom side, a sheet of resilient polymeric material covering said bottom side and providing said outer surface and a bottom for each said pocket, and each said ~~product~~ pocket having a width and a depth ~~generally equal to said width~~ ~~the diameter of a chalk stick to be received therein~~.

26. (Original) A carrier according to claim 25, wherein said plurality of pockets includes a plurality of rows of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said sides, and each said row comprising a plurality of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said ends.

27. (Original) A carrier according to claim 26, and means for releasably holding said roll against unrolling.

28. (Original) A carrier according to claim 26, and means on said sheet of polymeric material for releasably holding said roll against unrolling.

29. (Currently amended) A carrier for elongate, cylindrical chalk sticks comprising a body of flexible material having opposite ends, opposite sides and inner and outer surfaces, a plurality of chalk stick pockets extending into said body from said inner surface toward said outer surface, each said pocket having a bottom wall spaced from said inner surface, end walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said sides and side walls extending vertically from said inner surface to said bottom wall and spaced apart in the direction between said ends, said side walls and said end walls providing for each said pocket to be elongated in the direction between said sides of said body, said body being rollable in the direction between said ends to form a roll enclosing said pockets within said outer surface of said body, said body of flexible material comprising a strip of resilient polymeric material having top and bottom sides, each said pocket extending through said strip from said top to said bottom side, and



a sheet of fabric material covering said bottom side and providing said outer surface and a bottom for each said pocket, and each said pocket having a width and a depth ~~generally~~ equal to said width ~~the diameter of a chalk stick to be received therein.~~

30. (Original) A carrier according to claim 29, wherein said plurality of pockets includes a plurality of rows of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said sides, and each said row comprising a plurality of pockets spaced apart in the direction between said ends.

31. (Original) A carrier according to claim 30, and means for releasably holding said roll against unrolling.

32. (Original) A carrier according to claim 30, and means on said sheet of fabric material for releasably holding said roll against unrolling.

33. (Original) A carrier according to claim 32, wherein said sheet of polymeric material has end edges and said sheet of fabric material extends beyond said end edges.

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